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To advance the interest of the Fastener Industry by:

- Promoting the distribution of fasteners through those who will upgrade the image of the industry
- To discuss and find solutions to the common problems of our members
- To collect and disseminate useful statistics and information to members
- To provide a forum for continuing education and information for our members
- To promote the improvement of quality
- To develop new users for fasteners in the marketplace

2019 EVENTS

October 3rd

Fall Fling Golf Outing
Juniper Golf Course
Northborough, MA

December 4th

Holiday Bowling Party
High Rollers Bowling
Foxwoods Resort & Casino
Mashantucket, CT

Dear, Fellow NEFDA Friends & Family

They say “time flies when you’re having fun”, and the past year flew by. I’m so energized by the momentum we have within our organization and want to thank all the members for your outstanding participation and contribution over the past year. Between our members and the generous contribution from our sponsors the NEFDA awarded more scholarship dollars to 16 individuals, and I’m excited to step that up for next year!

I would like to take this time to thank our board members who have finished their terms;

- Matt Klozbach – Sherex Fastening Solutions
- Joel Koppe – Metric & Multistandard Components Corp,
- Colin Tansey – Specialty Bolt & Screw Co.
- Larry Ward – Distribution One, Inc.

Your contribution of time and energy over the past 3 years has helped guide our association to a very successful future.

Please also join me in welcoming our new board members, we thank you for your time, and look forward to your contributions;

- Andrew Potter – Vertex Distribution
- David Dragon – Atlantic Fasteners



*Michael Lentini, Spirol Int'l
NEFDA President*

- Frank Hand
–Fall River
Manufacturing
- Jason
Bourque –
Bolt Depot

- Matthew Callahan –
Manufacturers Sales Rep at
Semblex Corp.

We have an amazingly engaged board, and over the next year, we will be working to improve the programs we offer to our members.

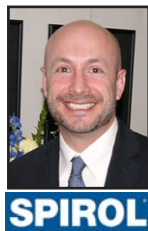
The Fall Fling on 10/3/19 and Holiday Bowling Party on 12/4/19 are the next events that we are looking forward to, don’t miss out. The NEFDA website will be getting a facelift and will be re-designed to better promote our industry events, highlight our sponsors and encourage membership participation.

Lastly, if you are interested in “dipping your toes” into a leadership position with NEFDA association, we would welcome participation on any of the committees – The best way to maximize the value from your membership is to get involved!
Thank you all for a fantastic year, let’s keep it going!

Michael Lentini

Michael Lentini – President NEFDA

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Rick Rudolph - 1996
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Gene Hendrickson - 2005
John Sutherland - 2009
Bill Lang - 2011
Pat Lang - 2011
Barry Carpe - 2013
John Conte - 2015
Bill Donahue Sr. - 2019
Tim Cleary - 2019

The Hall of Fame inductees to the left have contributed in a significant way to the growth and success of the NEFDA and the fastener industry.

The NEFDA continues to celebrate the accomplishments of our members and is currently accepting nomination applications. Please visit www.nefda.com/hof.html and download and submit the **NEFDA Hall of Fame Nomination Application** to us.



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NEFDA Honors Hall of Fame Inductees

The New England Fastener Distributor Association inducted two new members into its Hall of Fame on Thursday, March 7, 2019. Bill Donahue Sr. and Tim Cleary, both of Arnold Supply Incorporated in Wallingford, Connecticut shared the honor during the Association's Spring Dinner at The Farms Country Club in Wallingford.

Board President Michael Lentini, National Distribution Sales Manager at Spirol International Corporation welcomed the 50 guests assembled thanking members of the Board for their work on behalf of the Association. Rick Rudolph, President of Rudolph Associates shared remarks on both honorees. He noted Bill Donahue Sr.'s more than 40 years of work in the industry beginning his career at Eckart & Finard in (Hartford, CT).

Rudolph told the story that on a flight to Atlanta for Eckart, Donahue coincidentally met Fred Shuman of Arnold Industries from Canton, Massachusetts. That fateful meeting led Donahue to open Arnold Supply of Connecticut operating out of his Waterbury (CT) garage until he moved the company to its current home in Wallingford, CT.

Rudolph continued his remarks



recognizing Tim Cleary as a "lifer" in the fastener industry. His early career began at Eckart & Finard where he worked until Donahue Sr. offered him a role in Purchasing at Arnold Supply. Cleary's career spans some 50 years.

Rudolph presented both honorees with plaques recognizing their unselfish devotion and distinguished service to the NEFDA.

Donahue addressed the guests thanking the Association for the honor commenting on the growth of the organization since his career began. He gratefully attributed his career to key relationships that he formed beginning with Dan Sullivan at Danco Supply Inc., Bill Butcher at Eckart & Finard, and Fred Shuman from Arnold Industries. Donahue recognized his son Bill Jr. and his granddaughter Katie who work alongside him today.



Cleary expressed his appreciation to the Association for the Hall of Fame honor. In his remarks, he commented on his many years of service, the many changes that have taken place as the industry has evolved, and the many individuals that he's met throughout his career.

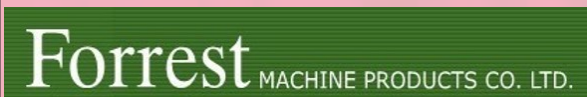
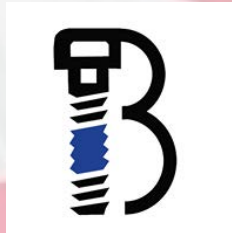
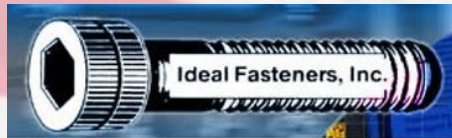
The event concluded with a show by nationally headliner comedian Michael Petit of Plainville, Massachusetts who toasted both honorees and left guests roaring with laughter.

Congratulations to Tim and Bill who have joined the list of our distinguished Hall of Fame Members.

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6:00-9:00 pm

at the

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The party will be located on the restaurant level of The Grand Pequot Tower

Your registration fee will include:

❄ 1 hour of cocktails and appetizers before bowling

❄ 2 hours of bowling (includes shoe rental fee)

Food and drinks (draft beer, bottled beer, and house wine service) while bowling

For your convenience, valet and a self park garage is available.

If you have questions about the event, please contact nefda@nefda.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the party! Please RSVP by November 28th.



NEFDA Member fees: 1st member is free; additional attendees \$25 per person

Non-Member fee: \$75 per person

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31st Annual Golf Outing a Challenge-But a Fun One!!

Perhaps because it was June 13th, but it wasn't a Friday, the skies thought it would be a good joke to dump rain for the whole day on Oak Ridge Golf Club. The day started chilly and rainy and continued that way but the NEFDA spirit prevailed-we won't be stopped from having a good day. Over 70 golfers enjoyed lunch together and then moved on to the day of golf. Despite the weather, they enjoyed the day sharing the fun of the challenges in the rain and had fun on the course creating new memories of another great NEFDA Golf Outing.

Congratulations to our first place teams:

1st Gross 61

TJ Welch, Tim Cleary, Dave Daddona, Steve Daddona

1st Net 48

Rob White, Pat King, Mike Kerma

After golf the golfers, along with others joining us for dinner, appreciated the indoors where they could visit more with fastener friends. After Cocktail hour and dinner, golf awards, raffle prizes, and scholarships were awarded. We congratulate the scholarship recipients who received their awards at the Golf Outing dinner. (See list in this newsletter).

We appreciate everyone's support in making this another great outing and look forward to another fun golf day October 3rd when we host our Fall Fling (more info in this newsletter).

Thank you to all of our event sponsors:

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Thank you to Joel Koppe (Metric & Multistandard) and Larry Ward (Distribution One) for chairing this event and Dan Bielefield as our MC!

SPIROL Completes Major Expansion at Connecticut World Headquarters

Danielson, CT – SPIROL

employees, company executives, board members, state representatives, and other honored guests gathered to celebrate the completion of the major expansion to SPIROL's world headquarters and largest global manufacturing facility located in Northeastern Connecticut.

The expansion that began in early 2016 includes significant additional manufacturing space, new state of the art warehouses for raw material and finished goods, a new quality lab and office space, new flooring, updated lighting, and significant investments in new production technology. Overall this effort expanded the manufacturing area by approximately 40%.

Jeff Koehl, CEO and grandson



of founder Herman Koehl, took to the podium to address all in attendance and express pride in the accomplishments of a small company that started 71 years ago with the invention of the Coiled Spring Pin. Today, SPIROL has grown to be an internationally recognized leading brand in the fastening,

joining, and assembly industry with locations on 4 continents and 13 countries.

Shortly before cutting the ribbon, Mr. Koehl paid homage to the founders of SPIROL and their emphatic dedication and bravery to start a company to sell a product that had no market as it was a new invention. Mr Koehl was joined by the Board in front of the newly commemorated Hans Koehl Employee Center and courtyard to cut the ribbon. Jeff echoed the sentiments of his father, Hans, by attributing the success of the company to its hard working employees who make SPIROL the great company that it is. The day ended with employees welcoming their family and friends for a tour of their newly updated workplace.

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NEFDA Scholarship Programs Continues Strong

The NEFDA recently selected their 2019 scholarship winners. NEFDA holds a Scholarship Golf Outing annually, which raises most of the funds for their scholarship program. The association acquires additional funds through the generous donations by its members. NEFDA is proud to award \$20,000 this year.



Congratulations to 2019 NEFDA Scholarship Recipients

\$3,000

Robert McKee-EFC International

Kelly Grospitch-Buckeye Fasteners

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Camille Benoit-Spirol Int'l

John Insinga-ND Industries

Jordan Mahon-Spirol Int'l

Calvin Jacey-Components for Manufacturing

\$1,500

Ryan Clark-Beacon Fasteners & Components

Weston Jacey- Components for Manufacturing

Dylan Johnson-Distribution One

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NEFDA 2019 Fall Fling Golf Outing

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Luncheon Cookout:11:00 am

Golf Start:.....12:00 pm

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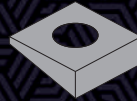
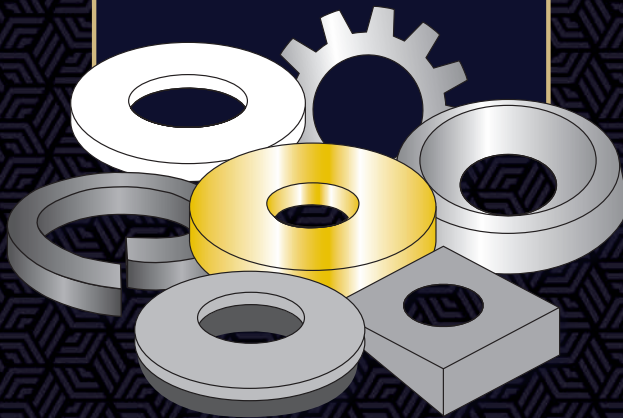


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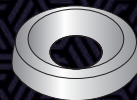
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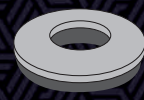
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Rick Rudolph is the past President, Vice President and Chairman of the New England Fastener Distributor's Association (NEFDA). Rick was one of the first inductees into the New England Fastener Distributor's Hall of Fame. Rick served three years as the NEFDA liaison to the Fastener Industry Coalition.



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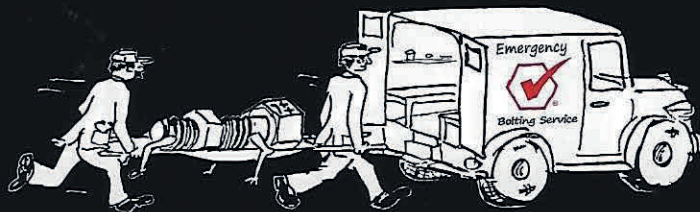
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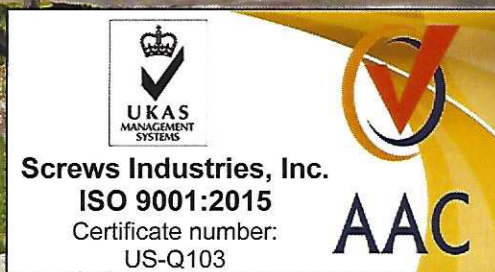
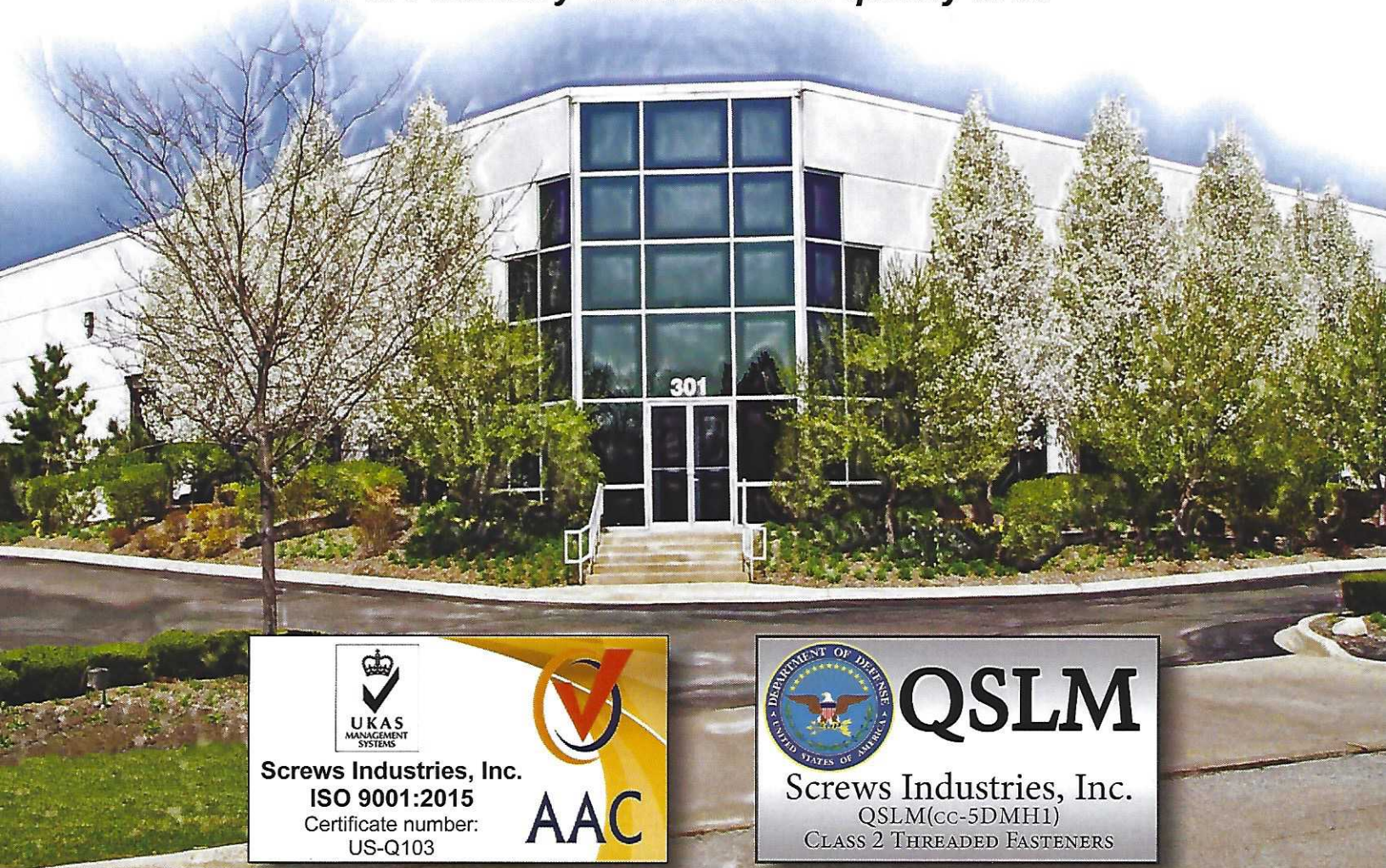
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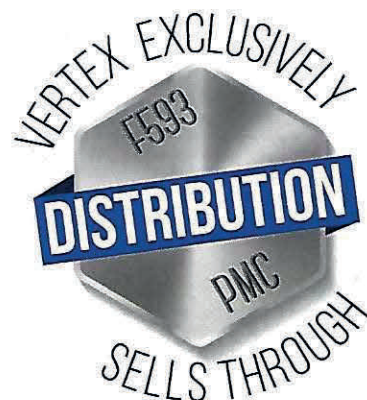
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